

Lanier

(LANIER

John  
Nicholas  
Robert  
Sampson  
Sidney  
Thomas

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Tabitha

John

John James wall

P. Gw. 9. 3 pg. 304

John James 1633-1719 - from Eng ca 1670.

settled in P. Gw.

Son-in-law = Eliza dau of Rich. Waddington. 1690-1725.

Son of John Waddington = 1658 Mary Hood.

a.m. M.I. 17

Est. of John James - Jas. Bebeches adm.  
1767 - bal of est to be equally div bet Robt. Searcy  
& John James - and by Wm Shood & Jas. Lee. 1771  
Searcy W + D 1778-83 176.

565. Mary on unnatural death of Kath ye dau of  
C.C. John James - 5-1665. Tho. Chappell  
a member of jury.

240. Est of Priscilla James orphan to John James guardian  
Searcy 1737 - by your pro of my father's est - signed John  
James 8. 21-1739 orphan acct

Sewery

(Signed Nicholson written Nichols - )

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Geo. Nicholson & Mary, John Sanier +  
Elizabeth his wife, John young & Tabitha  
his wife - to will Blackley - 17/0

69. Rich Lamer g of Pat. Smith rph of Pat 1756.  
Brewer g. A

P. Geo. 760. Rich. Lamer <sup>87</sup> & Tho. Lloyd <sup>283</sup> on Skingen <sup>1722</sup> mess.

pk. D. B. 3  
250 Rich Lamer to Rich Shepherd Lamer 1746.

W. B. 2 - 41. Rich Lamer adm of John Machin 4, Breunwich

W. B. 2 - 52. Sampson Lamer 1-8-1742/3, 5-5-1743  
Jas Machin, Peter Adams, Rich Lamer.

246. 5-28-1742 Then recd of Rich Lamer the residue  
pk. D. B. 2 + full bal of est of John Machlain died - amt to  
37 £ 6" 2 1/2 money of va. by me the subscriber  
living in the Prov of Benicall Venia & in a of  
Langrester and my hand do - Wm. Denlop  
Lewis & Eph. Parkham. Edmund Brewer.



Bureau G. B. 5-

43. Seth Seck right to Bannys Badilla on demise  
of Nich. Lamer  
Tina Randall that is poss.

1758.  
Nich. Lamer + wife Mary of  
Brennack Co - to Allen Sore  
Merchant - 5 Tracts land  
Swy Co - 500 a. Conveyed  
Clement Lamer 1714 by com  
Scoggen + 500 a by Thos & Agnes  
Pomeroy 1715 - to Clement Lamer  
father of Nich. having died  
without having disposed of  
them by will.

Swy N. B. 7 - 128, 51428.

S. 1738-5-4

642 Son Nich. Lamer, dau Mary Hill  
dau. Sarah West. 1744 - Sarah West.

Nicholas

1102. 4-2-1728. Let Rich. Lamer of Brumils to  
P. Gew Holmes Boursseau of P. Gew - 1560 - 2  
T. in Martins Brandon - 1300 - 6 all that  
T. whereon John Lamer died, father of Rich  
formerly lived & was - - - - - son - Thomas  
Chappell & is bounded by ancient reputed Bond &  
as described in Chappells Convey - 220 a & T.  
put by John Lamer & Peter Wyke - at the  
fork of Otterdam Swamp, bounded by Robt  
Bennett, Jane Wood & unpat. land - - - - - derived  
by sd John Lamer to son Rich.  
John Fitzgerald & Littlebury Esqrs - 5-14-1728

dau Sarah Ex

642. Will of Sarah West - my son Rich. Lamer  
Severy dau Mary Hull, dau Sarah West 8-20-1744.  
1738-56 Wt - Tho. Allstone, com Rookerip 6-19-1750  
Will pres by Tho. Hedgens & Sarah his wife

Kent - 1663 - 1668 - P. 97

Nicholas Janier =  
of Greenwich in co of  
Kent

Andrew = Joyce dau — Perry  
of Greenwich  
gt 1663  
(?)  
in Somerset.

Thomas = Jane dau &  
Cousins of  
Th. Petteward  
of London.



Robert

S. O. B 1764-74  
118. Robt Laniel, son + heir at law of John Laniel 17 6 7  
Jas. Belcher admtes will was annexed 7 sd John.

S. O. B 1764-74  
346 sd Ch. Warden binds out - Robt Laniel  
opp of John Laniel dcd. 1773

Servey 1744-44

327. Presella Laniel wife of Robt L

Bk. O. B 9.  
19 Robt Laniel + wife Wmfred ve 1765  
Sessarah + Henry Jones - child of Henry Jones dcd  
Isaac Jones guard to child

8-15-1730 let Tho. Clare of Pot Sow,  
+ Robt Laniel - for nat love + affection  
tho - - such heirs to his brother Benj  
Laniel. 1000 - torn  
John Mason, Jas. Gee, Peter Green.

Servey 1730.38. 28.

G. S.  
253. 4-6-1743. let Step Sessan, Tho Sessan wife Hannah  
Bk. B 2 of St An. ~~Robt~~ Laniel - of Servey, sold -  
on So. S. Thre che - Cady Bradt. 1072 - m  
Sd Sessan. Ref for sd ann. 4-7-1743.  
Rich. Laniel, John Burch, Tho. Laniel

Robert

8-15-1730

Thos. Clare + Eliza his wife  
to Robt James (son of  
the sd Eliza) - 1000 a  
fork of gt Branch dw. land -  
Thos. Clare - - - that T belongs  
to sd Thomas - - - new dwell  
thence up hanch called the old  
well end - - - Corner Tree  
in line of Cr. Henry Harrison -  
Reen of up. Chippoke Rd - residue  
of sd T. now belonging to sd  
Thos + Eliza his wife in rt. of  
sd Eliza.

Wit John Mason, Jas Gee,  
Peter Green.

1730-38-28.



Sampson

Brens. G. Act <sup>uphan of Sampson & Lanier</sup>  
 130. Beewell Beckner Wimpied, Ann Martha  
 Agnes, Lewis - Samuel Lanier trustee for  
 Sdaphes. 1739  
 to pay Culbert Smith the bal of Ret. Lanier pt

Swory 1738-56 1738  
 50 Sampson Lanier aged abt 56 - 1738  $\frac{56}{1682}$

S. 1715-35

385. 1-10-1721/2 - Lt Th. Hunt + Sampson Lanier  
 1 shil - T of 50 - on Trumpet Bo - + m  
 Barker, Ready Bo - H  
 Lem Marshall, John Windom - 2-21-1721  
 Ret for 6£ 10-

S. 1738-56 - p 50.

Sampson Lanier - 56 in 1738

271 To take Depo of Margaret Jackson + Ann Cumming 1754

98. Heitbard Chamberlain by Hannah Chamberlain

Brens. G. B5 his mother agt Sampson Lanier nt of 1753

199. to take depo of Daniel Sears before term from colly. 1754



Sampson

John Washington of D of W. Co. for a val  
consideration by Rich. Washington of the Co.  
of Surry - confirm underd Rich Wash. - former  
see a of land situated on the sw. side the Seacrest  
Swamp in the D of W. Co. - the same parcel  
of land being pt of a part got to me the 25<sup>th</sup>  
of Apr. 1701.

Sampson Lanier  
Tho. Washington

Feb 19. 1711

D B 2-213.

D of W.

1740.

Sampson Lanier of  
Brunswick to Capt Ellis  
50a near mouth Trumpet  
Br & Rudy Branch  
wt Rich. Blunt, Rich  
Reke - Tho Lanier

1738-54-194

1738 -

Sampson Lanier  
56 yrs.

1738-54-50



Sampson

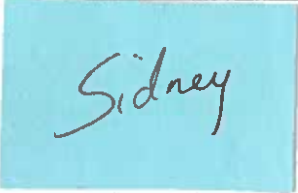
## Church

Holloway Parish typ  
land from Sampson  
Janer. 1734

D B4-410-  
Glebe sold. 1735-

D B4-434

Sampson Janer of Brunswick Co. made his will  
1-8-1742. prob. 5-5-1745 - to son Thomas  
Sons Sampson + Rich. dau Elizabeth Birch.  
Son Samuel Janer, son James to wife etc.  
Wm Hl, 23-180


 Sidney

Sidney Lanier  
An Appreciation

In written words as exquisitely vibrant as the notes of his beloved violin, or flute, Sidney Lanier gave expression to the ecstasy of deep emotions that was born of the truth, wisdom, goodness and love embodied in his character. No one can follow him all the way into the land of his "life's bright Lake of Dreams". There he found "the beauty of holiness, and the holiness of beauty", a phrase he often used.

It was through music that one feels he could attain to the heights of exaltation, pouring out his very soul in harmony. In his poetry is found a loftiness that lifts him into an atmosphere of intimate acquaintance with Nature, in all its changing beauty. He hears the notes, unsounded; he sees the glories painted for eyes unglazed by shallow souls; ~~and~~ birds sing, and trees whisper; and lights and shadows play upon upon a scene of loveliness, while over all is blown like a soft gossamer the scent of flowers; and notes of perfect musical harmony, filling his own soul.

His deep feeling is shown in one of his lyrical poems:-

Look off dear Love, across the sallow sands  
And mark yon meeting of the sun and sea,  
How long they kiss in sight of all the lands.  
Ah! longer, longer, we.

Now in the sea's red vintage melts the sun;  
As Egypt's pearl dissolved in rosy wine,  
And Cleopatra's night drinks all. 'Tis done,  
Love, lay thine hand in mine.

Come forth, sweet stars, and comfort Heaven's heart;  
Glimmer, ye waves, round else unlighted  
O night, Divorce sun and sky apart  
Never o'lip our hands.

Born in Macon, Georgia, Feb. 3, 1842, the son of a lawyer, Sidney Lanier at a very tender age, evidenced a veritable passion for music. He learned, without instruction, to play on many instruments, the flute, violin, organ, piano, and guitar. So tremendously stirred were his emotions by the notes of the violin, so sensitive his nature, his father persuaded him to give up the violin. It was then that he devoted himself to the flute.

Sidney Lanier came of a musical family. The earliest known ancestor, of the name, Lanier, was at the English Court, and director of music during the reign of Queen Elizabeth; and his son, and grandson, extending this position through that of Charles I, and Charles II. The grandson was one of the incorporators, and the first marshal of the Society of Musicians, under Charles II, along with four others named, Lanier. The first in America, was Thomas Lanier, who settled in Virginia in 1716. They were of Huguenot descent.

On his maternal side, Sidney Lanier descended from Scottish ancestry through his mother, a Virginian of Scottish descent, a family also musical.

He entered Oglethorpe College, or University in the sophomore class. Graduating in 1860, he shared the highest honours with another student. He was at once appointed to a position as tutor in the college.

But all the strife, and storm of a Civil War was soon to devastate the fair land of his birth. It is appalling to think of one of his nature having to endure its horrors. Distinguished in word and manner; he was stamped with a high breeding, and refinement, worthy of one so well born. His personality impressed strangers, and his interest in others made friends. His goodness was felt immediately. His life exemplified his high ideals. He revered the best of the

old, while reaching out to embrace the new.

When he heard the call of duty, he responded, and joined the Confederate army in 1861.

Something of this thought of duty, is presented in his best-known poem, "The Song of the Chattahoochee", written sixteen years later, one stanza of which reads,-

But oh, not the hills of Habersham,  
And oh, not the valleys of Hall  
Avail: I am fain for to water the plain,  
Downward the voices of Duty call-  
Downward, to toil and be mixed with the main,  
The dry fields burn, and the mills are to turn,  
And a myriad flowers mortally yearn,  
And the lordly main from beyond the plain,  
Calls o'er the hills of Habersham,  
Calls through the valleys of Hall.

His battallion was sent to Virginia. He was in the engagements around Richmond, Malvern Hill, Seven Pines and others.

A deep affection existed between Sidney Lanier, and his brother, Clifford, who served with him as private. To each, promotion was offered; but rather than be separated, they declined. They were transferred to the Signal Service, in 1862; and in 1863, were mounted and sent to serve in Virginia and North Carolina. Later they became blockade runners. Sidney Lanier was captured, with his vessel, and served five months in Point Lookout prison. He was released in 1865, and returned to his home in Georgia on foot. He survived an illness that depleted his strength, but never regained his health. Tuberculosis developed, and the remainder of his life was a battle with that dread disease.

At the age of twenty-three, he must now begin to take up life anew. He was talented in both literature and music. He had ambitions in both directions; but because there seemed less opportunity in the latter, he became a hotel clerk in Montgomery, Alabama, and while so employed, assembled and published a book, written at intervals ~~when~~

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during his service in the army, a story of his own experiences. This book was entitled, "Tiger Lilies", and begun at Burwell's Bay, on the James River, not far from Smithfield, Va., in 1863-1865. It was published in 1867. It expressed the horrors of war, which had so deeply impressed him, and which one wishes could have been spared a man of his sensitive reaction.

After teaching in the South a while, he married Miss Mary Day, of Macon, Georgia, this was in 1867. For several years, he studied and practiced law with his father. He was not happy in this profession, preferring music and literature.

The South was in the throes of poverty and distress, called the Reconstruction period. There was little opportunity for the pursuit of music; so he later went to Baltimore. Here he secured a position with the Peabody Symphony Orchestra, as first flute.

His first poem was "The Dying words of Stonewall Jackson", then "The Tournament", the last being altered became "The Psalm of the West".

From Baltimore he wrote a touching letter to his father, in which was expressed his regrets that pain, sickness, poverty, and lack of educational facilities, together with inspiration, derived from contact with literary people, and literary ways had been his lot. He expressed pleasure at his ability to hear good music, which so greatly added to his enjoyment; and to be able to have access to good libraries.

It was under this inspiration that he wrote, "My Springs", a beautiful tribute to his wife, whose society he was denied. She had remained in the South, with their children; but her devotion lent inspiration to his work. One stanza is here quoted-

O Love, O Wife, thine eyes are they,  
My springs, from out whose shining gray  
Issue the sweet celestial streams  
That feed my life's bright Lake of Dreams.



There were other poems- " In Absence," "Acknowledgment," etc.

The first poem that was generally recognized was "Corn", in which he described the warm,ripe richness of summer,in his native southland.

In his longer poems his genius is better expressed. Of these, are to be mentioned, "The Marshes of Glynn","Sunrise", and " The Symphony

The first of these might be called his masterpiece, because of its uplifting quality. The setting is an evening in June,with the tide swelling to full,undulating in its movement,uniting the marsh,and the sea. Over all are the softening colors of sun,and sky. To this is added the rhythm of musical lines<sup>that</sup> brings harmony to the whole. His spirit f<sup>se</sup>

Ye marshes,how candid and simple and nothing-withholding and free  
Ye publish yourselves to the sky and offer yourselves to the sea!  
Tolerant plains,that suffer the the sea and the rains and the sun,  
Ye spread and span like the catholic man who has mightily won  
God out of knowledge and good out of infinite pain  
And sight out of blindness and purity out of a stain.

In " The Symphony", a chorus of musical instruments,which include the flute and violin, plead for a sympathetic treatment of the less fortunate in the trade marts of industry.

While in Baltimore,Lanier did intensive study in English Literature, followed by several prose productions. Some of these were:- " The Science of English Verse", " The Development of the English Novel" and " Shakespeare and His Predecessors". In the first mentioned, he theorizes about the musical annotation of poetry, in which he would apply to poetry the principals of musical composition. It was an effort to perfect a union between music and poetry. Music,to Lanier, was a part of himself- his very soul.

But disease,and weakness were sapping his vitality. He sought the mountains of North Carolina,in summer; and the warmer clime of Florida, while he worked steadily- guide books for a railroad

company, lectured, wrote poems and magazine articles. The income from his lectures afforded him a security to meet his needs. The lectures at Johns Hopkins University was both suitable, and congenial. Many of these lectures were given while he was burning with a high fever, so ill that they were given while sitting, his voice scarcely audible because of weakness.

"Sunrise" actually the poet's sunset hymn, was written while fever flushed his cheeks, and lent unusual brilliance to his eyes, full of a spiritual light. It is a rhapsody of sounds and colors, as the sun rises, symbolizing the triumph of art over traffic. It closes with these lines-

And ever by day shall my spirit, as one that hath tried thee,  
Labor, at leisure, in art, - till yonder beside thee  
My soul shall float, friend Sun,  
The day being done.

In 1881, Lanier went to Asheville, N.C., hoping to obtain relief from his ever-increasing illness. He thought camping would be pleasant. His wife, and children joined him there; but subsequently went to a small town not far distant.

The end was approaching, and Sidney Lanier passed away on September the seventh, of that year. He was buried in Baltimore. In the halls of the University, which he served with such distinction, a memorial tablet has been placed to his memory.

Any sketch, or appreciation, of Sidney Lanier would be incomplete without some allusion to his personality. That he was more than usually attractive, and that his refinement and distinction of manner impressed all who met him, has been repeated by all biographers. Perhaps no other quality of his fine nature was more recognized than his reverence for the best in all that was old; combined with new, and original thinking. He lived his ideals, which were of the highest.

Sidney Lanier dwelt in the realms of music. He tried to free himself of the bondage of speech through its harmonies. He wrote, "Music is Love in search of a word".

In his, "To Beethoven" we find this in the closing stanza,

~~Yettit~~ forgives me all my sins,  
Fits life to love like rhyme to rhyme,  
And tunes the task each day begins  
By the last trumpet note of time.

Peace to the ashes of one who lived so valiantly; loved so deeply; and wrought so well, and His memory will linger like the cadence of " of a song that is sung in the hills, repeating itself in echoes sweet, and tender that go out into infinity.

"Lila"

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 106. The Lanes of B - Sen Jacot, sen wme, sen  
 Bremer, sen Bay. wife Ann - Jas + John Macdon Ex  
 8-23-1745- 11-7-1745-  
 John Denton McCayeh Perry. Saml Hucaly.

116. The Lanes & Geo Tillman wnt on 10 of gift  
 Bl D.B2. for Ann Langharts sen Geo. 1741

4-14-1755- Let. Tho. Lanes pro of A. C  
 + Tho. Peters Jr of Sussex saw a  
 immediately upon the determination of the  
 house of Samuel Lanes + Hannah Lanes  
 father + mother of ed Tho. which ed T.  
 Tho. Peters the elder by deed of gift - Hannah  
 Lanes dau of ed Tho. Peters the elder.  
 Apr 14-1755-  
 Sussex. D B A - 76

0 B<sup>2</sup> 31. The Lanes Lt of a C of foot Brumrock

269. Rich. Beach 10 of G to Sen John. 1747  
 Bl-D.B2 The Lanes, Henry Jones

Thomas

S. 1715-35

5-93. Partly info of Josiah Barker. - gr-sen Rich & Josiah.  
gr sen. Arthur, Sampson, Rich & Samuel Lamer, gr-sen  
Thos. Lamer - at of Rich. Washington 1725 -

D.B.B. 4-4-1745-  
Bend Thos. Lamer to Rich Russell 45¢ - 283 a pt  
Ch 6. <sup>Ward</sup> gr-sen John Spell 1736 - on Dan Taylor,  
Wm Hagood, 4-4-1743 -  
Ant. John Ward, John Ewell, Thos. Twitty

99.  
Ch D.B.B. Not g. Ambrose Jackson Sits sen Ambrose & son - L.  
law. Saml Harwell 1741  
Thos. Lamer, Wm Conner -

Brunswick

D.B.B. - 0.S  
5-1-1739 Ld Bend Thos. Lamer M.B. + Bery Lamer  
7. 5 shil - 100¢ - on ridge ht Sherry ch + Bery ch  
Ch on Daniel Taylor, - John Spell, Wm Hagood,  
John Dinkley, Geo. Moore - Rel 5-5 wife Mary

10 0.S  
4-2-1739 Ld Same to John Spell - 5 shil -  
3/2¢ - on so side Great ch - on Edmund up cor. - Treet  
Ch trnds. R 20¢ - wife Mary  
John Dinkley, Geo. Moore.



Tabitha

1789 - Denwood

39.

Tabitha Series grad to Ann Morris Wainwright

O.B. 11

Tho Croft + wife plain re Saml. Bunch + Lamer.  
def.

6-27-1769

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Oct 24-1768

Saml B. v. Rich Lamer p/t

(Rich Lamer sumer)

O.B. 11

re.

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Rich Bunchd. Inc.

O.B. 11

Saml. Croft p/t. v. Saml. B.

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d July 24-1769.

O.B. 10

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re the subscription here this day settled all  
acct + def between us from the beginning of the  
world to this day + do mutually agree that  
all suits between us may be dismissed each  
to pay his own costs w<sup>th</sup> our heads the 7 of  
Feb 1771.

Saml. Bunch

W. Tho. Still

Tho. Croft.

Robt. Nicholas.

O.B. 17

45

Sept 7, 1796 Let Tho. Croft of B + Wash.  
Croft of the sd co. w<sup>th</sup> knowledge that the sd  
Tho. Croft was in consideration of a cert. T of  
land which was sold by the sd Tho. Croft  
(that belonged to sd Wash) to w<sup>th</sup> stand of sd  
co. wh. had was duly Wash to sd w<sup>th</sup>  
sh. it is the sd of sd. 25 years

O B 11

re.

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Rich Bunched. Inc.

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Saml. Craft p/t. r. Saml. B.

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O B 10

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to pay his own costs with our heads the 7 of  
Feb. 1771.

Saml. Bunch

W. Th. Still

Ths. Craft.

Robt. Nicholas.

O B 17

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Sept 7. 1796 Let Ths. Craft of B + Wash.  
Craft of the sd co. acknowledge that the sd  
Ths. Craft for + in consideration of a cert. T of  
land which was sold by the sd Ths. Craft  
(that belonged to sd Wash) to Wm Shurt of sd  
Co. wh. land was due by Wash to sd Wm  
Shurt + the amt of the sd sale was 75 pounds.  
have been converted to the use of sd Ths. Craft.  
receipt hereby acknowledged, I have have bargained  
+ sold to Wash C. a c T of land whereon  
the sd Craft now lives 144 a. on <sup>N</sup>Wagner



Par of St Andrew

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118.

Richard Bunch - beloved wife Jane Bunch, son  
Rich<sup>rs</sup> dau Mary Mason, dau Elizabeth Lamer  
Exs Rich. Bunch Jr. Chas. Mason, Wm Lamer  
Ex.

Thos Stith Rich Elliot

John + alman Wm Hewitt Feb. 6, 1764

Geo. Clayton Rec July 27, 1772

WB.B.  
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John Bunch app.  
July 22, 1754

L 259 " 5 " 6.

Elizabeth Craft admstr

Dwight Stith

Chas. King app

Morgan M<sup>c</sup>. Kenney Nov 23, 1756

Nov 1753,  
G.B. 5-  
88.

on the motion of Elizabeth Bunch who made  
oath according to law certificate is granted her  
for obtaining letters of adm of the estate of her  
deceased husband John Bunch in due form given  
recently whereon she with Rich. Bunch her son  
entered into a clearendge bond according to law

✓ ordered that Buckner Stith, Geo Clayton, Robt  
88. Buggs + Wm Averie or any three of them  
being first sworn for that purpose do appraise  
the estate of John Bunch

Thos Stith Rich Elliot  
John + alman Wm Hewitt Feb. 6, 1764  
Geo Clayton Rec July 27, 1772

W.B.B. John Bench app. £ 259 .. 5 .. 6.  
192 July 22, 1754

Elizabeth Craft admstr

Dwmy Stith  
Chas. King app  
Morgan Mc Kenney Nov 23, 1756

Nov 27 1753, G.B.B. 88. on the motion of Elizabeth Bench who made oath according to law certificate is granted her for obtaining letters of adm of the estate of her deceased husband John Bench in due form given recently whereon she with Rich. Bench her security entered into + a knowledge bond according to law

✓ 88. ordered that Buckner Stith, Geo Clayton, Robt Buggs + Wm Averie or any three of them being first sworn for that purpose do appraise the slaves (if any) + personal estate of John Bench died.

March 27 1754. ordered Chas King, Morgan Mc Kenney, Geo Clayton + Dwmy Stith or any three of them being first sworn for that purpose do app. the slaves (if any) + personal est of John Bench



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Bunch

run 2 - 482

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3 194

4 200

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6 250

9. 443.

Sam'l Craft + Rich Bunch adm of Am Wall  
1731 to B 3 - 16.

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Bunch

rec 2 - 482

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3 194

4 200

5 242

6 253

9. 443.

Sam'l Craft + Rich Bunch adm of Am Wall  
1751 to B 3 - 16.

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Sept 1st

1734

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Elyza Bench adm. of John B. decd agt  
Ralph Bunkley - for debt.

Apr 1st

1755-

G B 5-

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388.

The Ct being informed by Elyza Craft that Tho  
Craft made his last will + test in writing sometime  
before his death which was destroyed by fire since  
his decease, it is ordered that Drury Stirk, John  
Clack, + Nicholas or any of them do ex + take the  
dye. of Char King Tho Brown, Saml. Craft  
+ Tho Moore concerning the same + return them  
to the Ct.

N B 16

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Ind. 21 Dec. 1794 between Tho. Craft of the  
Co of Brewer of the one pt + work. Craft + Shering  
Tucker of the Co apd A the other - for love + affection  
following negroes - (5-)

The Broadnax

Henry Hanes

See S Parham.

July 28, 1794.

O. B 11

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The attachment obtained by Tho Craft agt Saml  
Bench's est. is dismissed at the Ct of pld.  
March 1771

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april  
1755

6 B 5-

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+ Tho. Moore concerning the same + return them  
to the Ct.

NB 16

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The Brudenor

Henry Hanes

See B Parham.

July 28, 1794.

O. B 11

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The attachment obtained by Tho. Craft agt Saml  
Burch's est. is dismissed at the Ct of pld.  
March 1771



12/121 Larnier to Larnier - Brunswick Co  
Ind. 29 Apr. 1776 betw Rich<sup>d</sup> Larnier  
Par. St Andrew - & Wm Larnier this  
con for some 5-sh. the plantation  
where I now live on so side Sturgem  
or by patent 9 May 1757 adf Henry  
Summers, Brewer + Burroughs -  
1776 wit. Geo. Stainback jr.  
Robert Lee jr  
Wm + Parsons

12/203 Ingram to Larnier  
Ind. 27 Nov. 1776 betw Saml Ingram &  
Clement Larnier both of Brunswick. 308 con  
180 a. - begg at Spring Branch  
wit. Fred<sup>l</sup> Lucas Mordecai Hazood  
John Mitchell Henry Edmunds



Dec. 12, 1800 Let Rees Westmoreland of the Co of Brun.  
+ Secanna his wife, Edmund Westmoreland, son of the  
sd Rees + Secanna, Nancy Westmoreland dau of  
sd Rees + wife - Sterling Lanes + Hummen Lanes  
his wife dau of sd Rees + wife + Nath. Harwell +  
Secanna his wife also a dau of sd Rees + Secanna behtad  
of the one pt + Lewis Parham - that whereas Saml Harwell  
late of the Co of Denviddie - to his dau Secanna West.

To a - Smoky G. - at her death to children of sd Secanna  
of wh. children the sd Edmund, Nancy, Hummen +  
Secanna are four - the other children of sd R + S. West. being  
yet under lawful age - (Agreement of the dec. of mon).

Wit Biny + Chas Harris

Dec 22, 1800.

Settled in Connolly, Wm Owens

Rich. Pepper. Agham Bace.

D B 18 - 77

Wright Tucker, Harwell Tucker + Thos. Saunders Gent Just.  
receive relinquishment of dower from, Secanna, Harwell,  
Secanna West. + Hummen Lanes 12 - 5 - 1800

D B 18 - 83.

Brunswick Co.

In the name of God. Amen - I John  
Lanier in the Co of P. Geo - being very  
weak & ailing in body, but in perfect mind  
& mem - Thanks be given unto God therefore  
I do app<sup>t</sup> for all men once to dye. I do  
make & ordain this my S.W + T., that  
is to say; principally & first of all, I  
give & bequeath my soul unto the hands  
of God that gave it & for my body, I  
commend it to the earth to be buried in a  
Christian like & decent manner, to the discom<sup>fort</sup>  
of my Ex. - nothing doubting but a gen.  
resurrection, I shall receive the same again  
by the mighty power of God & as touching  
such worldly end wherewith it hath  
pleased God to bless in this life, I give

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the fol. man - form —

I give to my son Robt L. one shil

4 L ✓ — John — —

3 L ✓ — Sampson — —

4 L ✓ — daee. Sarah Brewer one cow

a heffer of 3 yrs old

5. I give to my gr. son John Samer  
the son of Mich Sam - my son, a feather bed  
+ bolster + Harkells + rug, all new +  
good + a small gunn well fixt.  
+ I give to him 2 pen~~ter~~ desks + a box  
+ one chest with lock + key + six yewes,  
one iron pot + port hooks + fayer  
pan, and a small pair of still yards  
+ 2 combs + a young horse of 3 years old.



and 3 sheep.

Sadly I give to my son Rich<sup>d</sup>. all  
the land wh. I now live upon & all  
my land on the other side, to him &  
his heirs forever & I give to my son Rich<sup>d</sup>  
all my moveables & unmoveable. I  
do make my son Rich<sup>d</sup>. James, my  
whole & sole Ex<sup>or</sup> of this my last w  
& T. To see That it is performed.

As wit my hand & seal this the 5<sup>th</sup>  
of Jan 1717. O. >

W<sup>th</sup> Wm<sup>x</sup> Peetles - Henry Peetles,  
The x. Beerrone Pres. at a  
C<sup>t</sup> held at Merchts Hozse for Co of P. Gw.  
The 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in April by the  
14 day of sd mo. Anno Dom. 1719.

P. Gw G. B - 304. ap. 14 books 312.

## Lanier notes.

Indenture May 5, 1743 between John Taylor Duke  
+ Jane his wife of Brunswick + Rich. Lanier 7 L-125  
pt of a tract granted John Taylor Duke by Pat. Jan 30, 1741  
beginning on the old field branch to Peter Simmons 2/39.  
wit. Thos. Lanier

Sampson "

John Mac/in

Brunswick Co. D. 32 - 279.

Samuel Chamberlaine will - to John Richards  
and to his hired negro boy named Tom, to Mary  
Swanson, dau of Edw. Swanson 159a of land on  
Red Oak Ck. in Brunswick Co. - to my dau Elizabeth  
Lanier tract of land I live on. Son-in-law Sampson  
Lanier Executor.

wit: John Wall Jr.

Phillips Adams

" Swanson

Sept 14, 1752

Oct 24, 1752.

Brunswick Co. will Bk 3 - 84.



In a genealogical pamphlet published in the  
Washingtons of John Washington of Westmoreland  
Co. Va. America

John Washington was in the Barbadoes between  
1650 - 1658. This John mar. in 1658 in  
Surrey Co. Va. the widow Mary Flood, who had  
been the widow of Rich. Blunt. After m. w. death  
she = m. 2nd.

Had an only child Rich. whose will is dated  
May 24, 1725 <sup>prob. 5-19-1725</sup> in Southwale Pa. He gives  
his property to sons Geo., Rich., John, Wm.  
Tho., James, and Arthur Washington, daus.  
Anne, Elizabeth Washington, Saml. an  
Samuel Saml. daus. Priscilla, Faith  
Parker, Mary Hart, + beloved wife Elizabeth  
Wash. to four gr-sons. Arthur, Samuel  
Rich. + Samuel.

The wife of the testator, Rich. Washington was  
Elizabeth Jordan (daus. of Arthur Jordan who d. in  
1698. Elizabeth's will was dated May 21, 1755  
in Surrey Co. Va. She gives property to Geo., Rich.,  
John Tho. (d. 1749) wms. James + Arthur, daus.  
Eliza Saml., Priscilla Saml., Faith Parker  
Mary Hart + dau. Anne.

First Census of Polaski. John W. Linn gives Elizabeth Croft Ed-  
 wards 25 slaves Washington Croft 18 slaves -  
 They never found War in Nashville about 1800 or thereabouts  
 Polaski 1809/9 as even as little to Indiana land  
 could be gotten in the new had to purchase  
 land build houses & raise crops before moving  
 families - James Westmoreland was first Republican  
 of Polaski He in Elizabeth Ingram and Moses  
 & Elizabeth Linn Croft - Mrs Blaines Linn  
 My husband descended through James & Lucretia  
 through the 2 Edwards daughters Mary & Isaac  
 Macmillan & Madeline & Henry Sealed my 28 parcels  
 My Seals date was handed down from Henry Seals & wife  
 Mary unknown first child was born 1765 in Buckingham Co

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to Quaker Capt 4.  
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have made conf

John Capt 10 Sept  
Feb 12 1835  
Henry & John Capt  
also given as names  
Capt John Capt 10 Sept  
1816 - so journal

Thomas Capt  
Mary  
Wd Capt 29-1722  
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## Lanier Family Kinsmen Give Interesting Information On Southern Lines

The Dictionary of National Biography states that the Laniers of England were of French origin, having fled with the Huguenots from the persecution of the Catholics in France.

John Lanier (died 1572), a native of Rouen, France, was a musician. He is thought to have been the father of John Lanier, musician to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth. This second John Lanier married (October 12, 1585) the daughter of Mark Anthony Gallardo, who served as musician to Henry VIII. Their son, Nicholas (baptized in London September 10, 1588), was the most distinguished member of the Lanier family in England. He held a high position among the royal musicians both as composer and performer. He was also a skilled painter and one of the first great art connoisseurs. With the outbreak of civil war in England, the fortunes of the Laniers declined, and Nicholas followed the Stuarts into exile. At the restoration he again assumed the office of president of the Society of Musicians. A portrait of Nicholas Lanier was painted by his friend Van Dyck, and sold with other pictures belonging to Charles I after his execution. Four other of the Lanier family were musicians in the service of the crown.

### Came From England

The earliest American Lanier was John (1633-1719), who came from England about 1670 and settled in Prince George County, Virginia. He was a resident of Virginia in 1676. Two of his sons, Robert and Sampson, married Elizabeth and Priscilla, granddaughters of Sir John Washington, earliest member of that distinguished family which produced a century later the first President of the United States. (See "First Families of America," Volume 3, Pages 770 and 298).

This John Lanier was one of the rebels who took part with Bacon in the disturbance known as Bacon's Rebellion. Sir William Berkeley, colonial governor of Virginia, was slow in defending the colony against the Indians and the men of the south side of the James River took the matter into their own hands, forming a camp near the present Hopewell, in Prince George County, and appointed John Lanier and John Woodier to appeal to the governor for authority to fight the Indians. Being denied their request, they went against them.

these two at Butler's breakfast table the next morning brought about their friendship, and Major Lanier afterwards fell in love with General Butler's daughter, Ann, whom he married September 21, 1778. Lewis and Ann (Butler) Lanier had two sons, Thomas Butler Lanier and James Lanier.

Major Lanier moved to North Carolina after the Revolutionary War, and was a member of the North Carolina House of Commons in 1787 and 1788. About 1790 he moved to Georgia, where for 27 years he represented in the Georgia Legislature that part of Screven County that later became Bullock County. Major Lewis Lanier was the only member of the Georgia Legislature who did not own stock in the land company that tried to defraud Georgia in 1796. He stood up and fought to the finish what is known as the Yazoo fraud. The State of Georgia named the town Lanier after him for his distinguished services.

### Married a Widow

Lewis Lanier's (1) wife, Ann Butler, died a few years after they moved to Georgia. August 6, 1803, he married (2) a widow, Esther Butts Thorn. They moved to Eureka, Ga., near Oliver, where they remained for years. This property was later obtained from Captain Noel Lanier by the Rev. Thomas Washington Lanier, who for years filled the pulpit at the Eureka Baptist Church.

Major Lanier was a personal friend of the Marquis de LaFayette, and was invited to a reception tendered LaFayette in Savannah, Ga. His feeble health did not allow him to attempt the trip. He died February 12, 1839, at the age of 83.

There were six children of Major Lanier's second marriage: Captain Joel Lanier, Isaac Lanier, Annie Lanier Kelly, Elizabeth Clarissa Lanier Jackson, Sara Lanier Strickland, of Lowndes County, Georgia, and Mary McCall Lanier Ledbetter, of Middle Georgia.

Isaac Lanier (1806-1885), son of Major Lewis Lanier, had 10 children: Dr. Augustus Butler Lanier,

## Dixie Poet



*Sidney Lanier (1842-1881), beloved Southern poet and musician, was a great grandson of Buckner Lanier, who was a brother of Major Lewis Lanier. An interesting article on the Lanier family and intermarried lines appears on this page today.*

Lanier, of Sylvania, Ga., and Mrs. Marie Lanier Lankford, of Tulsa, Okla., for the data contained in this article. All are direct descendants of Maj. Lewis Lanier, in whose honor the Brier Creek Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution unveiled a marker Armistice Day, November 11, 1932.

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Indians. Being denied their request, they went against the Indians against permission. Nathaniel Bacon was their leader. (See William and Mary Quarterly, Volume 11, Page 77. Because of John Lanier's part in Bacon's Rebellion, his direct descendants are fully eligible as Colonial Dames.)

Many descendants of John Lanier migrated to North Carolina. Among these was his grandson, James Lanier, who married Mary Cook and became the great-grandfather of J. F. D. Lanier, noted financier and philanthropist, who organized the Winslow-Lanier Bank in New York City in 1849. J. F. D. Lanier lived in North Carolina, New York and Indiana, where his home has been bought by the Indiana Historical Society.

Other descendants of the North Carolina Laniers, with Reuben Lanier as progenitor, are prominent at West Point, Ga., where they have been bankers and manufacturers for generations.

Major Lewis Lanier (born in Sussex County, Virginia, in 1756), son of Sampson and Elizabeth (Chamberlain) Lanier, was the great-grandson of the immigrant John. Lewis was educated for the practice of law.

"When 21 years of age, being an ardent Whig, he volunteered as private in the Essex County, Virginia, Militia, was elected captain and afterwards promoted to major. He was in the Battle of Long Bridge. During his service, he was wounded in the arm and leg and was captured and confined for nine months." (Official record from the Revolutionary War section of the Bureau of Pensions, Washington, D. C.)

### Was With Washington

Major Lanier lost his sword while crossing the Delaware with General Washington and was presented with another by Washington, who was his kinsman and commander. This prized sword hung over the mantle of Captain Noel Lanier's home at Oliver, Ga., but was later destroyed.

During the stirring times of the Revolutionary War, Major Lewis Lanier accused General Butler, of South Carolina, of cowardice in battle and fought a duel with him, in which both were wounded. While returning home Major Lanier spent the night at General Butler's home, not knowing that he was accepting the hospitality of his recent combatant. The meeting between

Lanier, had 10 children: Dr. Augustus Butler Lanier, Lewis Noel Lanier, John, Rebecca, Lucy, who married Pete Kemp, Mary, who married Jim Hilton, Ella, McCall and Hettie.

Capt. Noel Lanier (1811-1890), son of Maj. Lewis Lanier, married Sarah Ann Tullis, daughter of the Rev. Stephen Tullis. Capt. Noel Lanier was also the father of 10 children: The Rev. Thomas Washington Lanier, William H. Isaac,

Dr. Middleton Lanier, Laura, Eliza, Emmett, Alonza, Theodore A. and Dr. Jefferson D. Lanier.

Maj. Lewis Lanier owned a 627-acre plantation. On these expansive acres, upon which much of Oliver, Ga., now stands, five generations of his descendants have distinguished themselves as educators, lawyers, physicians and dentists.

One of this family, Walter Victor Lanier, of Millen, Ga., son of the Rev. Thomas W. Lanier, was the superintendent of education in Jenkins County, Georgia, until his death a few years ago.

### Famed Sidney Lanier

Possibly the best known member of this line is Sidney Lanier, Georgia poet, great-grandson of Buckner Lanier. Buckner Lanier was an older brother of Maj. Lewis Lanier. Sidney Lanier inherited the great genius of his early English ancestors, being superior both as a musician and a poet. He is one of Georgia's best-loved sons. Sidney Lanier was born in 1842. He married Mary Day (died December 29, 1931, at Greenwich, Conn.), in Macon, Ga. Sidney Lanier died in 1881, at Lyon, N. C., leaving two sons, Clifford (died 1908) and Charles Day, who was, before retiring from the publishing business, a half-owner of "The Review of Reviews" and "The Golden Book," and an editorial writer on the former.

During the past year the Georgia Poetry Society has accepted for publication poems of Genevieve Lanier, daughter of Col. A. L. Lanier, of Mount Vernon, Ga., and great-granddaughter of Maj. Lewis Lanier. She is equally gifted in painting and writing.

There are three grandsons of Maj. Lewis Lanier now living: Col. A. L. Lanier, lawyer of Mount Vernon, Ga.; Emmett C. Lanier, merchant and journalist of Harlem, Ga., and T. A. Lanier, of Bartow, Ga., who married Gay Herschel Johnson's granddaughter.

The annals of this family are among the most inspiring in Georgia history. We are indebted to Mrs. Eileen Lanier Thompson, of Millen, Ga.; Dr. Lewis Fielding



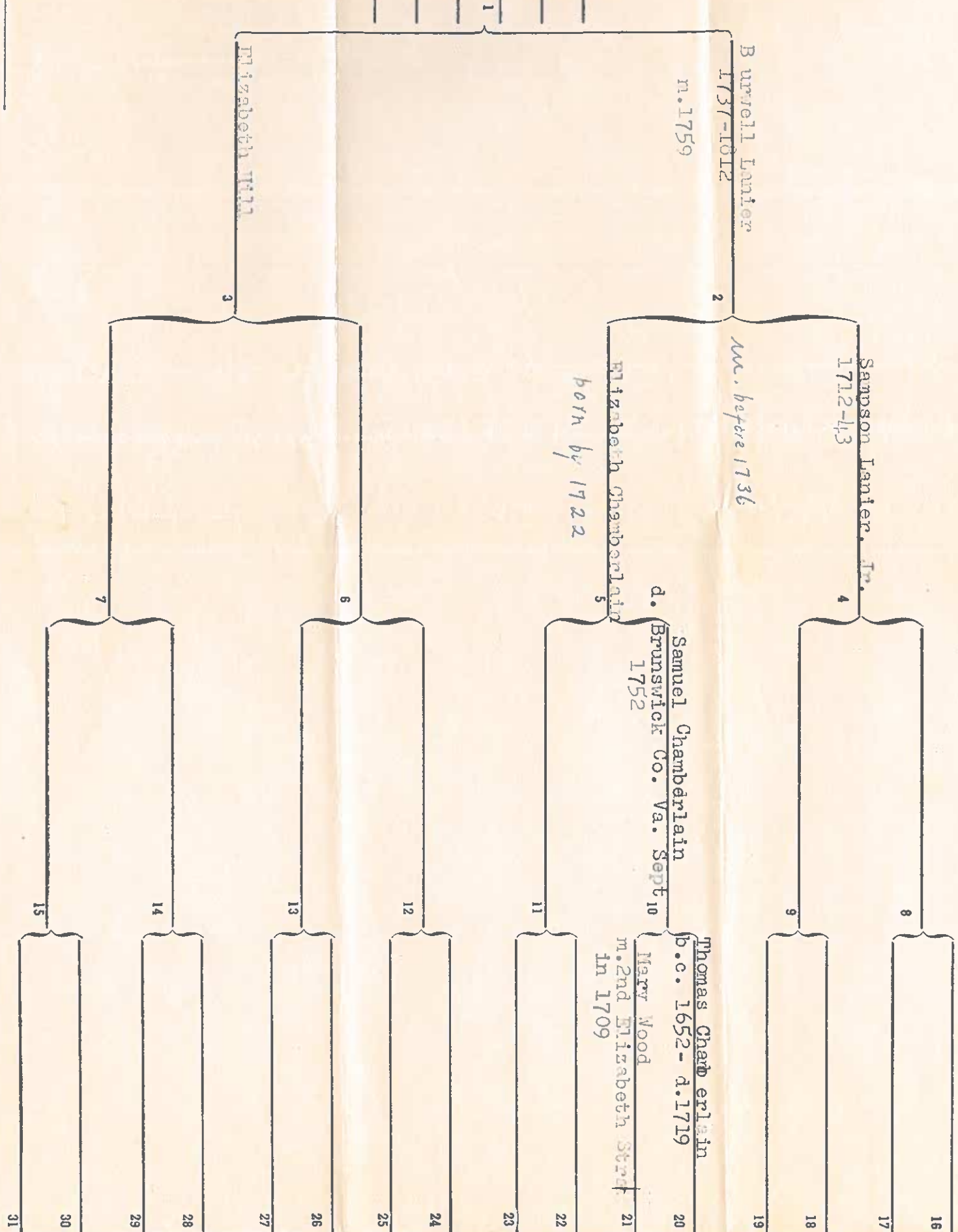
Burwell Lanier, the son of Sampson Lanier was born in 1737.

That means his father Sampson Lanier Jr. and Elizabeth Chamberlain had to have married by 1736. It seems impossible to think of Elizabeth as being less than 14 years old when her son was born. That would put her birth in 1722.

Samuel

Samuel Chamberlaine , father of Elizabeth , if he were son of the 3rd wife of Thomas could not have been born until 1710, which is the year after his father's 2nd marriage. ~~Thomas~~ then would have been only 12 years old when his daughter Elizabeth chamberlain Lanier, was born.

So, if Samuel were the son of Thomas Chamberlain, he had to be the son of the first wife, Mary Wood.



**COOK.**

Answer to Query 552 (b), W. E. B., December 14, 1930—I am a descendant of James Lanier, of Virginia (born 1724-6), who married Mary Cook (Cooke). From deeds I infer that she was daughter of Henry Cook, who mentions a Mary in his will. I have my Lanier line complete, and desire to help trace Mary Cooke.—MRS. F. E. STOW, 8109 High School Road, Elkins Park, Pa., for V. S.

Answer to Query 1306 on the Lanier Family by Mrs. W. W. Wagner, 1007 Stafford Avenue, Melrose Park, Pa.: The parents of David Lanier (born Jan. 7, 1791) were Sampson Lanier and Elizabeth Massey, who had 12 children, among whom were: Walter, James, Harrison, Langford and Evangeline. Sampson was one of the nine children of James Lanier and Mary Cook. James was the son of Sampson Lanier and Elizabeth Washington, the daughter of Richard Washington and Mrs. Elizabeth Jordan. Richard was not a descendant of the Mildred Warner-Washington marriage, but was a collateral cousin. I have proof of this. I will be glad to correspond with anyone interested.—MRS. JOHN F. MONROE, 1253 Prince Avenue, Athens, Ga.

**JUERY 1,146**

**BREWER-LANIER**—Data desired on Sarah Lanier (born about 1648) and her husband, George Brewer, whose will, proved in Brunswick County, Virginia, August 2, 1744, names children: Oliver, Henry, Nathaniel, Sarah, Lanier, George, John and Howell. Who were Sarah's parents? Who were the descendants of George and Sarah Brewer? Was Sarah related to family of Sidney Lanier?—V. R. O'NEAL, LaGrange, Ga.

**LANIER.**

Answer to Query 158, T. L., March 23, 1930—I am descended from James Lanier, of Guilford County, N. C., whose brothers, of whom there were eight, were scattered over the Southern States. Sterling and Andrew Jackson both went to Alabama and Georgia. I have the data back of them to the Huguenot ancestor—much too long to copy, but can get that done at 20 cents per page. Let me know who your father or grandfather was and I shall have probably eight or 10 pages of it. I have the Washington line which runs into the Lanier—seven pages. MRS. F. E. STOW, 8109 High School Road, Elkins Park, Pa., for V. S.

Since its  
publication

## Valuable Data Is Given on Laniers

**Answer to Query 1155, R. F. Lanier, January 17, 1932—**John Lanier, the emigrant, whose will is recorded in Surry County, Virginia, 1717, had four sons, John, Sampson, Robert and Nicholas.

Nicholas Lanier had a son, Thomas, born 1722, who married in 1742 Elizabeth Hicks. Their children were: Robert, born 1742; Molly, born 1744; Sarah, born 1748, married (1) Colonel Joseph Williams; (2) Robert Williams; Betty, born 1750, married Colonel Joseph Winston; Caty, born 1752; Patsy, born 1754; Rebecca, born 1757; Thomas, born 1760; Susanna, born 1763; Lewis, born 1765; Fanny, born 1767; William, born 1770.

Thomas Lanier moved to Greenville, N. C., where his will was proven in 1805. (Wheeler's "History of North Carolina.")

Robert Williams and his brother, Colonel Joseph Williams, settled in North Carolina prior to the Revolution.

The marriage bond of Sarah Lanier and Robert Williams, dated October 10, 1774, is at Oxford, N. C. They removed to Pittsylvania County, Virginia, and settled on the Bannister River. ("History of Pittsylvania County," by Clement.)

David Lanier was the grandson of Sampson Lanier and wife, Elizabeth Washington, the daughter of Richard Washington, of Surry, son of John Washington, the emigrant.

Sampson Lanier was the son of John Lanier, the emigrant, whose will was proven in Surry County, Virginia, in 1717, naming his sons, John, Nicholas Robert and Sampson.

The emigrant, John Lanier, is



thought to be the son of John Lanier, of London (will proven 1650), and his wife, Eleanor (will proven 1652), leaving to son John a ring, his father's picture and all his books; and "whereas, my late husband, John Lanier, left me his executor and bequeathed me his whole estate and several sums still due, same to my said three children equally, John and Elizabeth, being under 18 years of age and unmarried." (Virginia Magazine of History, Vol. 38, pp. 340 and 342.) John Lanier and wife Eleanor were buried in St. Giles Churchyard, London.

James M. Lanier, a lawyer, commanded a troop of cavalry in the Forty-Second Regiment of Virginia in the War of 1812. He took the oath of office in Pittsylvania County. He married Mary Merrimon Johns, the daughter of Mrs. Gatrehood Glover Johns, of North Carolina (who married (2) in 1799 Charles Lewis, of "The Byrd.") Their children were: James Lanier; John Lanier; Lucy Washington Lanier, born September 18, 1817, married July 2, 1834, James Carter of "Greenrock," Pittsylvania County, Virginia; Cecelia Virginia Lanier, married February 28, 1844, Morris Pollock, of Scotland; Mary Johns Lanier, married July 14, 1831, Green R. Hill, and moved to Mississippi; David Lanier, of White Oak, married Anne Carter. (History of Pittsylvania County, by Clement, page 213.)

In 1740, Lemuel Lanier and James Lanier patented land on Three Creek, Brunswick County, Virginia, and grants were issued to Thomas Lanier, January 12, 1747, for 380 acres on Mitchell's Creek, and to Benjamin Lanier, April 5, 1748, for 368 acres of land on Allen's Creek, Brunswick County, Virginia (but Lunenburg County, as it was formed of Brunswick County in 1746).

October 1, 1747, a grant of 415 acres of land was issued to Nicholas S. Lanier, and to Byrd Thomas Lanier, a grant of 374 acres in Brunswick County, but actually Lunenburg County, Virginia. (Bell's "The Old Free State," pages 101 and 103.)

Lanier records are found in Brunswick, Pittsylvania, Lunenburg and Campbell Counties, Virginia.—MRS. JOHN E. LANE, Jackson Ga., Altavista, Va.

My grandmother lived ~~with~~ until  
I was 27 years old. and she  
~~lived~~ was nine years old when  
her grandmother Ann Samir Moore Tughran  
died. She remembered her perfectly  
what she looked liked <sup>and the stories she told her of</sup> and all her <sup>her</sup>  
reminiscences prove to be identical with <sup>her</sup> life.  
The enclosed court records

reminiscences

RECEIVED  
JAN 10 1892  
JAN 10 1892

I shall  
send check  
at once  
my husband  
is Methodist  
minister here

Cuthbert, Ga.  
Aug. 27, 1932.

My dear Mrs. Chapman:-  
Will you please  
give me one day work  
on records this next  
week as I am anxious  
to get work finished.

Leaft, Washington, D.C.  
or any other line to locate  
Elizabeth Lanier Leaft's  
parents.

I shall be glad if  
you will watch  
for indications &

other counties for family.

My reason for thinking  
Thomas Croft married  
George Burches widow  
is some give her as  
wife of Thomas Croft &  
some of G. Burch. Also  
one Croft of Brunswick  
& Burch of Brunswick  
have an agreement on  
record all these  
differences are past.

Judith Burch is  
buried in lot of one



If you are sure we  
would like some one  
record in full do so  
otherwise just give  
main points.

I assure you I can  
understand your  
delay & my heart  
goes out to you as  
you try to do this  
work.

I shall be glad to  
hear by end of week  
& we will take up  
the next step. Sincerely  
Mrs. H. P. Blevins

family in Pulaski  
Penn.

Now this may not  
be John of Suckey's line  
but George's direct  
line. Grandmother or  
great grandmother rather  
& her cousin said  
Cousin George.

Thomas Croft only  
had two children  
known & as you see  
one was Washington.

Were the Crofts (also)  
related to Washington  
in Penn?

Cuthbert, Ga.  
Sept. 12, 1932.

My dear Mrs. Chapman:-

I am enclosing  
check for \$6.00 for work  
received.

I am very much  
pleased with your work  
and as for Craft line  
I did not know of the  
two Samuels.

I had two days work  
sent me from Brunswick  
but she was sending all  
on the three line &  
not looking for Elizabeth.



I come from Elizabeth  
Lavie Craft who married  
Moses Ingram & then  
Gray Edwards. I come  
from Moses Ingram  
but she is said to be first  
or second cousin of  
Edwards. Two of my  
cousins are from both  
Moses I. & Gray Edwards.

I am from Moses I.'s  
daughter Elizabeth G.  
Ingram who married  
Jesse Westmoreland  
Oct. 25-1802 in Brun-  
swick. I think Jesse's  
father was Thomas



& his wife may have been  
a Native and there a  
will saying Thomas Jr.  
was son-in-law. Jesse's  
brothers were Thomas  
John, who is said to have  
gone to Penn., Hartwell  
who remained in Va.  
Labor, Arthur & sister Elizabeth.

Thomas, Jesse & Elizabeth  
moved to Giles Co. Tenn.

I have lately from  
Burke's Page on West-  
morelands & I think  
Jesse's father is the  
last in America or  
rather first. Tradition  
says they first went  
to Westmoreland Co. Va.

I have records in Brunswick, Mecklenburg & Dorchester. All this to ask you <sup>for</sup> what amount you work it out for me.

I want to be sure if they were ever in New-  
Hampshire I will send  
you what I have.

Also I have it we  
come from Lord  
New-Hampshire (8th Earl)  
I would like to be  
sure of that.

Thank you so much  
& will be glad to hear  
very soon.

Sincerely, Mrs. H. P. Blewett.

3212 Jackson St

Houston Tex

Sept 22/82

My dear Mrs Chapman

Through Mrs Blevins with  
whom I have been working with in  
our tree I have recd your letters &  
of course shared in getting notes etc.  
Was so glad to get our last working  
the Lavinia Cozt link fixed. As I feel  
to be the case & note Mrs B. our line  
must be through Ely H. Bush (widowed &  
then) second to Thomas Lavin.

I am sending a rough chart of what  
seems to be Cozt line. And I am not?

It is so easy to make mistakes. There  
are bushels of them I find in looking  
over different Genealogical Publications

The Working tree - Lavinia family especially

You mentioned in letter to Mrs Blevins  
that you would see to other data in B-  
for her.

Are you expecting to go over soon? I



wrote "Service rendered Per" by Gray Ed-  
wards, Joseph Massey & perhaps others men-  
tioned in Court Records 1782. copied &  
verified. Also Wm Edwards, Gray's father  
was on Committee of Safety or Commission-  
ers of Peace as it may be termed.  
And who would be charged?

I also hope to get data on Sarah Ed-  
wards wife of Wm as she wasn't men-  
tioned in Dec. 1782 she had passed  
away previously.

Do you do work in N.C. I want Bruce  
Seales, Cherry Bryan May data; Westmeland  
in Va. I have Massey, Chappell, Briggs, Washington  
Edwards & Edwards  
Lawson & Croft all clear I think. Some  
task!

Waiting w. reply in reference to Bruce  
mick data especially Court Refs. I am

Yours truly

Wm Thos J Massey

3212 Jackson St



Cuthbert Gay  
Oct. 25, 1932.

My dear Mrs. Chapman:-

Just to tell you Thomas  
& Reuben Westmoreland were  
in Dinwiddie, Va. 1782.

The Rees family of  
Brunswick are related very  
closely to Edwards & Mason  
in our family.

Mrs. Mason wrote me she  
would write you & she  
would not send anything  
yet.

So please go to Brunswick  
as soon as you can &  
work on Westmoreland &  
Moses Ingram's line

who died 1784, work on his  
fathers & mothers line &  
if you have time in the  
one day look into the wife  
or wives of Wm. Edwards  
father of Gray. Publications  
say he married Sara Edmunds  
1766 or 8. Mrs. Mason thinks  
he may have been married  
before & not sure <sup>that</sup> Miss  
Edmunds was correct.

You see I don't know  
what you will have on  
any of lines there

Please let me hear from  
you when you get  
back & what you think  
best to do next. Sincerely  
Mrs. Bevine



Cuthbert, Ga.  
Oct. 18, 1932.

My dear Mrs. Chapman:-  
Your letter received asking if Brunswick Co. had been thoroughly worked for Westmoreland data.

No, she was not asked to do that but just look through index as that was to be taken up later.

I am sending you a few records on Westmoreland & east of  
some ~~large~~ Ingram records that can be found.

I am expecting Mrs. Mason of Houston Texas to send some data on Edward & Leods as there is a relation between Guy Edwards & Elizabeth Croft.

<sup>surely you know</sup>  
I am wanting you to go to Branc-  
wick for one day when you  
hear from her & first work  
on Westmorelands & then  
Ingram starting with Moses  
Ingram (I have his will) who died  
in ~~1784~~ 1784 & I think his  
father is Thomas for his  
name was on will. You under-  
stand Moses Ingram first  
married Elizabeth Craft & my line  
& Lucy Edwards 2nd & Mrs Moore  
line & my line ~~was~~ her husbands.

There may not be but the  
one more generation <sup>of Ingrams</sup> & then  
on Mrs. Moore's work, I should  
there be any time if not  
I guess we will have to watch  
for one of your trips. Did  
you ever see an Ingram  
Coat of Arms? Ben Sayer born  
1800 & moved to Ala from Mcklen-  
burg Co. Va. Do you know of this line?

He was my grand-father. The name Goodman is in his family.



L. F. LANIER, M. D.  
SYLVANIA, GA.

December 14, 1932  
Wednesday Morning.

Miss Blanche A. Chapman,  
Regent Col. Wm .Allen Chapter D. A. R.  
Smithfield, Virginia,  
Isle of Wight County.  
Esteemed Miss:

I thoroughly appreciate your letter. I am sending you two copies of the Sylvania Telephone with articles by me and also by Mrs. Dr. Eleen Lanier Thompson of Millen, Ga. on Major Lewis Lanier. Program Nov. 11th, Armistice Day by Brier Creek Chapter of D. A. R. Sylvania, Screven County, Georgia-60 miles from Savannah, Ga.

My records are that Major Lewis Lanier was born in Sumsex County and enlisted from Essex County. The Lanier's have history in Pietsylvania County, Brunswick, Cambell, and Lunenburg Counties.

I sent copies to these counties, but am pleased to tell you that you are the only one who has acknowledged receipt of letter or paper from me. I thought those Virginia Counties would like to have my paper to file with their records. I sent a copy to Charles D. Lanier, Greenwich, Conn. and son of Sidney Lanier, Poet and 5th Cousin to me. He wrote me a nice letter, but could not give me the information I asked for.

Since all this came up-Nov. 11,-Armistice Day, I have had letters from other members, which I prize, but, of course, some information they cannot give.

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L. F. LANIER, M. D.  
SYLVANIA, GA.

I am repeating my question. If possible, I would like to know in what Militia District or town Major Lewis Lanier was born. I would like to know about his education- he was a Lawyer- served as you will see in my paper Georgia Legislature 27 years. He was just 13 years younger than Pres. Thomas Jefferson- and lived 13 years longer. I am old enough to remember one of my Great Grandfather's old slaves- who lived to be very old.

I am asking one more question. I have learned when Sidney Lanier's (Georgia Poet) Great Grandfather- my Great Grandfather Lewis's brother was born and when he died,- but I want to know where burried and what his business was?- I mean BUCKNER LANIER. My belief is that he is burried somewhere in North Georgia. So far I have not learned this from Laniers in Georgia.

I thank you so much for your nice letter, and trust this lengthy letter has not worried you.

Sincerely,

*L. Fielding Lanier, M. D.*  
L. Fielding Lanier, M. D.

My dear Mrs. Chapman:-

I am so very  
sorry to know that you have been  
ill. I have been so persistent  
because Miss Tallard in the Library  
was quite sure you were the only  
person to do this research.

If, however, when you look over  
the information I am enclosing  
you find you are not strong enough  
to undertake it, please do not hesitate  
to say so. I am anxious to get it  
done pretty soon because a dear old  
man, who is writing a history of  
this county and its earliest families,  
keeps after me for this information.  
I do not like to turn over for  
publication what I cannot prove  
although I know some of these facts  
to be true.

I am enclosing two books. One  
contains records from various counties  
which I consider accurate and prove

each generation. The other contains all kinds of information which I eliminated.

My grandmother lived to be 86 years old and was nine years old when Ann Lavier Moore Vaughan died in 1833. I cannot prove that Ann Vaughan was Ann Lavier although grandmother always spoke of her as "Annie Lavier". She, Ann Vaughan, also left a great-grand daughter who was named for her, "Ann Chamberlain".

You will see from the outline in one of the books that it is the only marriage bond which is lacking.

From the time Ann Moore, widow, married James Vaughan, the record, I think, is complete.

I have not looked at Court Minutes in Brunswick Co. which may show Ann and James Vaughan settling the estate of Wm. Moore as it does in Greenville Co. Nor have I looked for Vaughan Deeds in Brunswick. The only deed which seemed to be of interest showed Wm. Moore and Ann with a cross mark which would indicate they could not write. However, both their wills were signed by them. The original of Ann Vaughan's is in Greenville Co.



1<sup>st</sup> I want to establish the fact that  
Ann Moore - Vaughan was Ann Parier

2<sup>nd</sup> Next, I want the military record,  
if any, of William Moore - He died 1781.  
Of the children mentioned in William's  
will I know through my grandmother  
of only one besides her grandfather  
William - This was "Tatey" who  
married Henry Teller son of Judge Teller.

I get so confused with all the  
Williams and Thomas of Surrey,  
Sussex, Isle of Wight, Southampton,  
and Brunswick Counties I can't  
do anything about them.

You will see that I think Wm.  
was the son of Thomas who died 1765 -  
However he may have been ~~son~~  
of James of Surrey 1756 -

Miss Follock of Richmond Library  
tells me every time I am over there  
that Mr. Roger Dunn Moore who was  
from Sussex, but now lives in  
Richmond, has traced his line to  
York Co. - There seems <sup>to me</sup> to be two families of Moores in  
Sussex

3<sup>rd</sup> I also want to establish the  
fathers of Wm. Moore. I think I have  
it but would like for someone who

really knows to give it their O.K.

There was a close connection between  
Wm. Moore and James Moore of Halifax, N.S.  
& Southampton Co. Va.

If you cannot do this research would  
you suggest Miss Stephenson or Mrs.  
Forbush? I know the latter has done  
a great deal of Parier research but she was  
not well when I last heard anyone speak  
of her. I would appreciate your  
advice.

Ever sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Eleanor J. Rose

Mrs. Robert J. Rose,  
Franklin, N.C.

July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1942.

*Mrs. William Parks Stevens*

*Massie Apartment*

*Macon, Georgia*

March 17, 1954.

Dear Mrs. Chapman,

Although you have never heard of me, most likely, you have been quoted by so many authorities to me that you have really been my friend, unawares. Mr. Robert Stewart was one who did research for me and so often mentioned you. Of course I have enjoyed your "wills" myself.

There are several things which I should like to ask you to consider for me. I am quite an amateur but do a great deal of work on my own lines and like to be thoroughly convinced about my own claims. Just let me know what your fee is for helping me clarify a few problems and I shall gladly forward check to cover same.

First-I am descended from Elizabeth Cham-

berlain and her husband Sampson Lanier, 1712-42. Elizabeth Chamberlain Lanier is mentioned in her father's will in Brunswick County September 1752. He was Samuel Chamberlain. Mr. Stewart claimed the father of Samuel, Thomas Chamberlain, as a qualifier in Colonial Dames for my sister when he was helping me fill out her papers. I added additional lines myself and he(Thomas Chamberlain) has never been questioned. Mr. Stewart said that Thomas wrote a will but the book is lost. Is it known that he mentioned his son Samuel in it? If so then I feel certain that we should claim Gen. Abraham Wood. The enclosed chart will explain.

Second, the contraversial subject of the Mary Flood Blunt Ford Briggs is one which I should appreciate your clarifying for me.

Mrs. William Parks Stevens

Massie Apartment

Macon, Georgia

I am in the F.F.V. on John Flood through his daughter Mary and Richard Washington her husband. Mrs. Henry Lowell Cook accepted my line and the proof of it. Although I believe at the time I had other notes; this is what I kept and should like to ask about. Is this all proof available on her descent?

Land grant and deed of Thos. Blunt and Richard Washington in Surry April 29, 1682 and Sept. 17, 1686 prove Richard Washington was son of John and Mary. Mary was widow of "Blunt" as son, Thomas Blunt, proves and on her marriage contract when marrying John Washington, she is the widow Ford. This contract witnessed by her father, John Flood and Thomas Flood. For Flood lineage see "Colonial and Revolutionary Families of America." "Washington of Surry" p142; Tyler's Vol. 111, and later as Mrs. Briggs, Mary Flood Washington witnessed Flood family documents along with her sister Jane, for stepmother, Mrs. Fortune Jordan Flood Mills.

If Mary was the daughter of Mrs. Fortune Jordan, as some contend, why was she not mentioned in Col. George Jordan's will along with his other nieces and nephews?

What puzzles me is where were John Flood, the Ancient Planter's wives anyway? Margaret Finch I guess is the one. In Cavaliers and Pioneers it lists Margaret Flood as coming in 1638. The old man was kind of ancient then really, wasn't he?

Thank you very much for your consideration of these questions and perhaps I shall think up some others, if you will let me.

Most cordially yours,

William Stevens



A.B. Dick Co  
960 Mum

Lanier